

# Discounted Duration Calculus

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- Often **Soon** is better than **Eventually**
- Want quantitative statements about eventually properties
- Truth value is in interval  $[0, 1]$

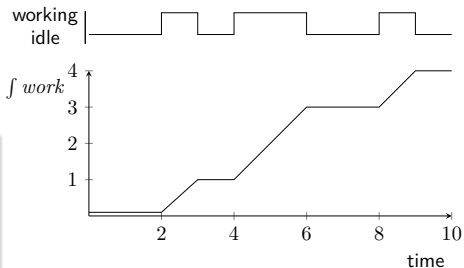


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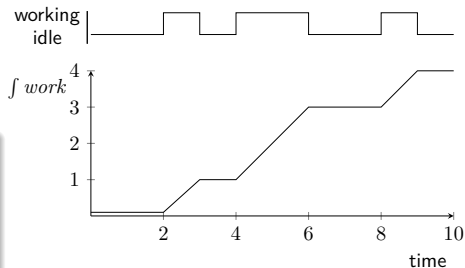
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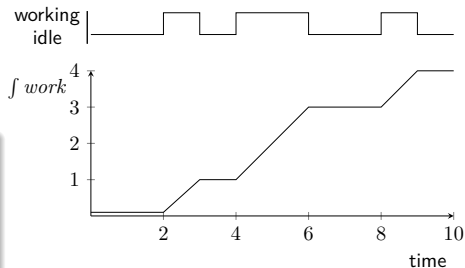
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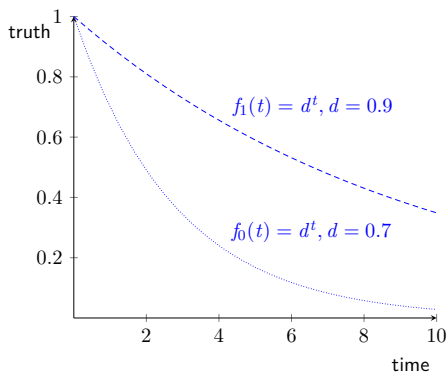


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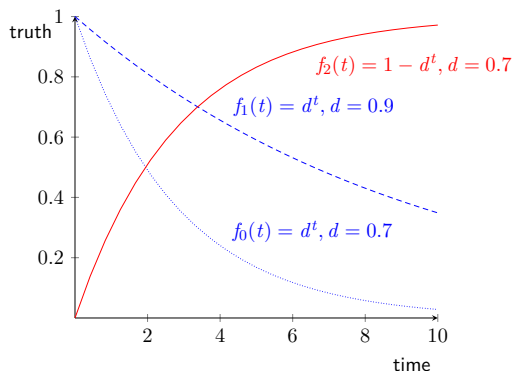


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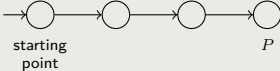
# Discounting - Background

- Introduction in economics [Sam37]
- Introduced into temporal logics in [DAFH<sup>+</sup>04] (Discounted CTL)
- Definition of discounted LTL [ABK14]

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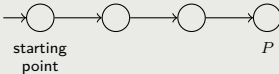
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Truth value is

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{I}[\![F^d P, \pi]\!] &= \sup_{0 \leq t} \{0.7^t \cdot \mathcal{I}[\![P, \pi[t..]]]\!]\} \\ &= 0.7^3 \cdot \mathcal{I}[\![P, \pi[3..]]]\!]\} \\ &= 0.343 \cdot \mathcal{I}[\![P, \pi[3..]]]\!]\}\end{aligned}$$

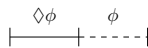
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## Syntax

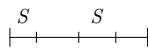
$$\begin{aligned}\phi &::= \diamond^d \phi \mid \int^d S \geq c \mid \int^d S > c \mid \neg \phi \mid \phi \vee \phi \\ S &::= P \mid \neg S \mid S \wedge S .\end{aligned}$$

$P$  is a Boolean proposition

$\diamond \phi$       There is a neighbouring interval satisfying  $\phi$

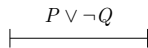


$\int S \geq c$       State expression  $S$  holds for at least  $c$



Following abbreviations can be expressed

$[P \vee \neg Q]$       State expression  $P \vee \neg Q$  holds in this interval



$\square \phi$        $\phi$  is satisfied on all neighbouring intervals

## Semantics

$$\mathcal{I}[\diamond^d \phi](tr, [k, m]) = \sup_{l \geq m} \{d^{l-m} \cdot \mathcal{I}[\phi](tr, [m, l])\}$$

$$\mathcal{I}[\int S \geq c](tr, [k, m]) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \int_{t=k}^m S(t) dt < c \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

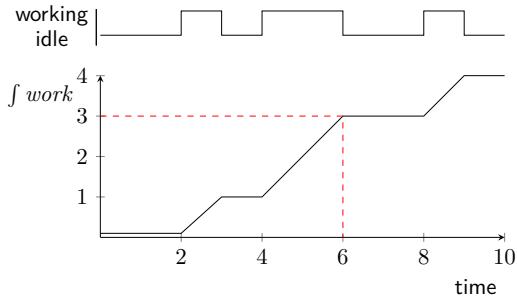
$$\mathcal{I}[\neg \phi](tr, [k, m]) = 1 - \mathcal{I}[\phi](tr, [k, m])$$

$$\mathcal{I}[\phi_0 \vee \phi_1](tr, [k, m]) = \max\{\mathcal{I}[\phi_0](tr, [k, m]), \mathcal{I}[\phi_1](tr, [k, m])\}$$

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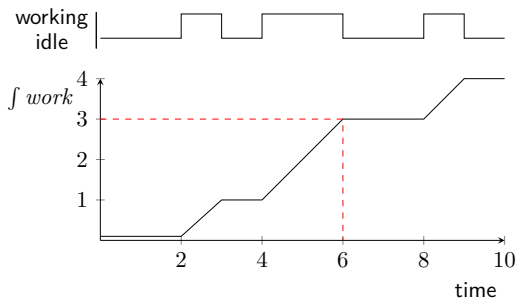


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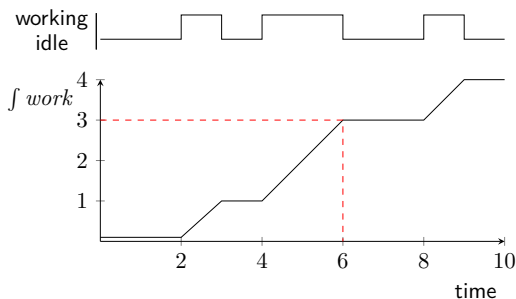
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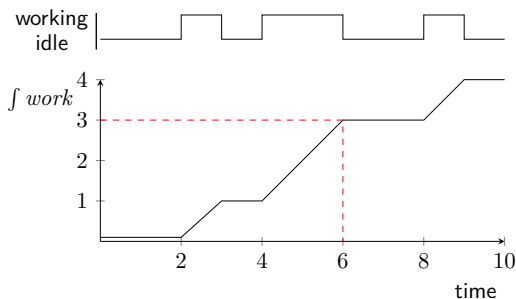


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$$\text{with } d = 0.7, m = 0 \quad = 1 - 0.7^6 = 0.88$$

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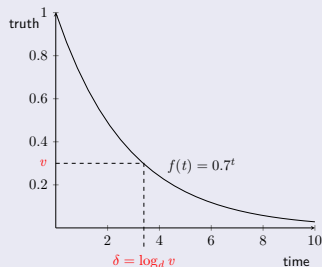
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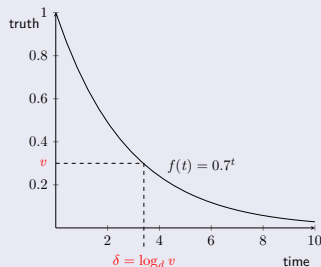
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- Transform  $\phi$  into a time-bounded linear hybrid automaton  $A_\phi$  (reachability is decidable) [BDG<sup>+</sup>11]
- $A_\phi$  has a location reachable iff  $\text{work} \geq c$  is satisfied in at most  $\delta$  time



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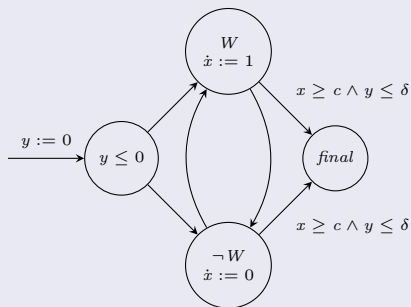
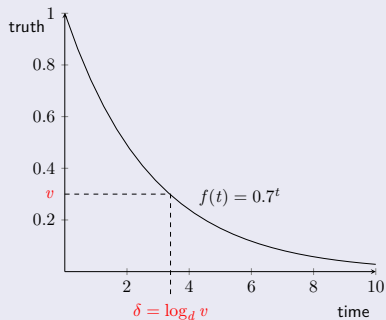
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$$\exists tr. \mathcal{I}[\langle \diamond^{0.7} \int work \geq c, tr \rangle] \geq v$$

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## Model Checking

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Let  $M$  be a timed automaton with only clock constraints of the form  $x \sim c$ , i.e. no comparisons of clocks

- Model checking is  $\forall tr \in M. \mathcal{I}[\phi, tr] \geq v$
- Equivalently:  $\neg \exists tr \in M. \mathcal{I}[\phi, tr] < v$
- Check  $\exists tr \in M. \mathcal{I}[\phi, tr] < v$  on  $M \otimes A_\phi$
- A witnessing trace constitutes a counter example

# Conclusion

- Gave several examples to show usefulness of our logic
- Some meaningful questions are decidable
- Nested modalities pose a challenge  
I believe I have a procedure for approximate threshold satisfiability

## Nested Modalities

Service should be online soon, and then run for a long time  $\diamond^{d_0} \square^{d_1} [S]$

## Future

- Formal proofs of decidability
- Implementation and case studies?







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I think we are able to decide approximate threshold satisfiability, i.e.

$$\exists tr \in M. \mathcal{I}[\phi, tr] \sim v \pm \epsilon$$

### Example

Consider  $\diamond^{d_0} \square^{d_1} \psi$

- We evaluate the formula at some timepoint  $\delta_i$
- The satisfaction value is  $d^{\delta_i} \cdot \mathcal{I}[\square^{d_1} \psi, tr]$
- Then the comparison is satisfied iff

$$\mathcal{I}[\square^{d_1} \psi, tr[\delta_i..]] \geq \frac{v}{d^{\delta_i}}$$

- If we pick enough points  $\delta_i$  at which to try satisfying  $\square^{d_1} \psi$  then we should come within  $\epsilon$  distance of  $v$ , if that is possible at all
- As the discounting formula is exponential hopefully we do not need too many  $\delta_i..?$